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Leghorne, March 20.

ON the 16th Inſtant their Royal Highneſſes the Great Duke and Dutcheſs of Tuſcany ſet out from hence for Piſa, on their Return to Florence. The ſame Day came into this Port his Britannick Majeſty's Ship the Dragon, Capt. Barnet, Commander. The Imperial Regiment of Pallavicini is order'd to march by the 23d Inſtant through the Lunigiana and Lombardy for Hungary.

Vienna, March 21. Marſhal Wallis is not yet ſet out, being in daily Conferences with the Miniſters; but it is aſſured, that he will depart in a very few Days, which is thought the more neceſſary, as this Court has received ſeveral Advices from the Frontiers, of the great and early Preparations which the Turks are making for this Campaign; and even the Vizier is reported to be actually at Niſſa. Baron Erff arrived here Yeſterday from Saxony: The Recruits for the Saxon Troops, together with the new Tents and new Montures, will be upon the Frontiers of Sileſia the latter End of this Month. It is ſaid that Half of the Million of Rubles offered by the Czarina, and accepted here, will be immediately paid, and that the other Half will be paid alſo in three or four Months. An Accident has happen'd lately at a Place call'd Zolnock upon the River Teiſs, where Count Neuperg had got together a Magazine of Corn and other Proviſions, which have been entirely deſtroyed by a Fire that broke out thro' Negligence. The two Bavarian Battallions which are at Eſſeck, are ſaid to have loſt already 300 Men of the Plague. The Imperial Troops which are in Garriſon there, are likewiſe infected, as well as the Inhabitants of the Place.

Florence, March 22. On the 17th the Great Duke and Dutcheſs and Prince Charles of Lorrain, returned hither from Piſa. His Royal Highneſs has made a Promotion of Officers out of his Life-Guards to fill the vacant Poſts in the Lorrain and Tuſcan Regiments of Foot-Guards. Preparations are making here for the Journey of their Royal Highneſſes and Prince Charles, on their Return to Vienna; and 'tis thought they will ſet out by the 20th of April. They will go by Sea from Leghorn to Genoa, thence by Milan, Turin, and Schafhuyſen to Vienna. This Route has been ſettled to avoid paſſing through the Venetian Dominions. Orders have been given to purchaſe 50 Mules for his Royal Highneſs's Service for the Campaign in Hungary.

Vienna, March 26. Marſhal Wallis's Departure has indeed been delayed hitherto, but he will at his Arrival on or about the 14th of next Month, find drawn together a conſiderable Body of Troops between Peterwaradin and Belgrade; while Count Neuperg will at the ſame Time be at the Head of another Body of Troops between Arath upon the Maros, and Segedin upon the Teiſs. In order to form thoſe two ſeparate Bodies, each Regiment of Cavalry is to furniſh two Squadrons, and thoſe of the Infantry 200 Men out of each Battallion. It is intended by that Diſpoſition to be in a Condition to oppoſe any early Undertakings of the Turks till the whole Army can be aſſembled, which it is hoped will be about the 14th of May, for all the Regiments have Orders to leave their Winter Quarters the Beginning of April. Letters from Tranſylvania ſay, that the Plague diminiſhes every Day in that Province; that the Turks have made no Motion hitherto in that Neighbourhood; that they have not above 600 Spahis at Virajova, 6000 Foot and 2000 Spahis at Widdin, 3000 Foot at Orſova, and a very ſmall Garriſon at Meadia.

Bank, 14 December, 1738.

Upon a Repreſentation from His Majeſty's Poſtmaſter-General, *That it is apprehended that the Expectation of finding* Bank Bills *in the Letters, gives Encouragement to the frequent* Robbery of the Mails; The Bank of England, *to contribute what in them lies to put a Stop thereto, and to render their* Bills *of no Significancy or Value to thoſe who are guilty of ſuch flagitious Practices,* do declare, *That for the Benefit and Security of thoſe who have Occaſion to tranſact Money Affairs in the Country, they will from and after the Firſt Day of January next (inſtead of Three Days Sight Bills) give to ſuch as deſire the ſame, their Bills payable at Seven Days after Sight to* ——— or Order, *whereby in Caſe of a* Robbery, *the* Proprietors *will have Time to give Notice thereof; and if the* Indorſements are duly filled up, as they expect they ſhould, *they can be of no Uſe or Service but to the right Owners.*

And whereas they may fall into thoſe Hands who may be ignorant of the Form *of indorſing them, a* Blank Indorſement *will be printed on the Back for the Parties to fill up, and to be repeated as often as Occaſion requires.*

Navy Office, March 30, 1739.

The Rt. Hon. the Lords Commiſſioners of the Treaſury having appointed Money for paying of Half Pay to Sea Officers from the 30th of June, 1738, to the 31ſt of December, 1738, according to his Majeſty's Eſtabliſhment on that Behalf; Theſe are to give Notice, that the ſaid Payment will begin to be made at the Treaſurer of the Navy's Office in Broad-ſtreet, at Nine a-Clock in the Morning, the following Days, to wit, on Monday the 16th of next Month for the Captains, Tueſday the 17th for the Lieutenants, and Wedneſday the 18th for the Maſters